# VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN

#### **OFFICIAL Minutes**

Monthly Meeting of the Public Works Committee

<u>Saturday Sepetember 4, 2010</u>

Workman called the meeting to order at 08:00.

Members Present: Bob Stewart, Marv Sollars, Tom McGreevy, Mark Kennedy, Ken Pariser, Bruce Adreani

Members Absent: Jan Whitler

Also Present: Craig Workman, Scott Ripkey, Pete Petersen, Micki O'Connell

# **Visitors Heard**

Trustee O'Connell was present to bring a storm water issue to the committee's attention. Specifically, she wanted the committee to know that there was a culvert that crossed Brickley Drive at the intersection of Forest Drive that directs storm water directly towards Geneva Lane. The owner of the home at 777 Geneva Lane had experienced some basement flooding in August, which was attributed to this culvert. Workman stated that Hot Spot 2 of the Village's recently adopted Storm Water Management Plan identified solutions to this problem, however the project is not included in the budget for this year or next.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Workman stated the meeting minutes had been circulated earlier in the month, but he had forgotten to send them out earlier in the week with the agenda. The committee opted to consider the minutes at the next meeting.

## **Ripkey Sod Reimbursement**

Workman introduced Scott Ripkey to the committee. Workman stated that Ripkey owns the property at 1021 Tarrant Drive, and the Village installed a storm sewer in the right of way in front of his home as part of the Sauganash Project last year. The original design called for a swale in front of his home but the design was modified to incorporate the storm sewer when the grades of the swale appeared unsafe. Ripkey and Workman agreed that the final restoration was not acceptable this spring and Workman told Ripkey the Village would be redoing the work. Ripkey requested sod be used for restoration as opposed to seed. Workman told Ripkey he would pay for the removal of the erosion mat

and preparation for sod but he would not cover the cost of the sod installation. At that time, Ripkey told Workman he would prefer the village prepare the area for sod, as he was planning a gathering at his house and would prefer not to have the topsoil and seed present. With that in mind, the preparation for the sod was completed by the Village and Ripkey paid for the purchase and installation of the sod. Ripkey stated he was at the meeting today to request reimbursement for the cost of the sod. He stated he did not feel it should be his responsibility to pay any of the cost associated with returning his yard back to its pre-construction condition. He also stated that the storm sewer was the only acceptable solution and the swale would not have been appropriate, however he now has an area of standing water in the southwest corner of his property. Ripkey also thought that he should have been presented with a cross sectional view of the project before construction began. Workman stated that the Public Works Committee has proposed to split out of pocket costs with homeowners in the past, and asked if this is an offer Ripkey would consider. Ripkey stated there were costs associated with the installation of the sod which he was not requesting reimbursement for, and he would like the committee to consider full reimbursement of his out of pocket expenses for the purchase of the sod. The committee took Workman's and Ripkey's comments into consideration and decided to hold a closed session to discuss the situation in more detail.

**Northshore Lift Station Project**: Workman stated that the Village Board asked Atty. Thorpe to review the proposals from LW Allen for the equipment replacement at the Northshore Lift Station, specifically whether or not the project is subject to the statutory bidding requirements. Atty. Thorpe's opinion, was that the project should be bid. Furthermore, Atty. Thorpe stated that Village's often get into problems with the mandatory bid language for wage rate affidavits, payment bonds, performance bonds and advised we contract with the Village Engineer to assist with the bidding. With that in mind, Workman had requested Ruekert Mielke submit a proposal to complete the specifications for the project and assist the Village with bidding. The proposal was presented to the committee. Kennedy stated that he did not understand why the Village would be required to publicly bid a maintenance project for an existing lift station. McGreevy stated that the committee was ultimately trying to save the Village money by not bidding the project. Additional discussion ensued. Kennedy/Pariser made a MOTION to recommend the Village Board approve the contract. MOTION carried without a negative vote.

#### **2011 GIS Services Agreement Proposal**

Workman presented a proposal from Ruekert Mielke to host the Village's newly created web based GIS system. The proposal covers a variety of expenses and benefits, including hosting computer hardware and software, HVAC and utility costs associated with 24/7 equipment operation, routine server monitoring, and emergency response & support. The proposal also recommends the Village place additional money in the 2011 budget to cover GIS Website maintenance. Adreani suggested the Village get some additional quotes for website hosting, as there are many companies that do it. Kennedy stated that it makes sense to have the company that is doing the maintenance to host the site. The

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committee agreed. <u>Adreani/Pariser made a MOTION to recommend the Village Board</u> approve the contract. MOTION carried without a negative vote.

# **Abbey Springs Water Main Update**

Workman stated that he was still working on determining property ownership for the land that had been proposed for the relocation of the Abbey Springs Water main.

# **Update on 2010 Construction Projects**

Workman provided the following project updates:

<u>Timber Ridge Lift Station Abandonment Project</u>: Workman stated that Reeseman's has begun work on the project. The boring is nearly complete and they are expecting to pull the new pipe through next week. Final project completion is expected by the end of September.

<u>Lakefront Project</u>: Slated to go to referendum on 9/12/2010.

<u>Pottawatomi Project</u>: Workman stated that bids were opened for the Pottawatomi project on 8/26.2010, the bids were as follows:

The Wanasek Corp.	\$700,188.00
Reeseman's Excavating & Grading, Inc.	\$890,823.90
Mann Bros., Inc.	\$895,282.80
Globe Contractors, Inc.	\$961,123.00
Odling Construction, Inc.	\$1,222,195.00

Workman stated that since the approved budget for the project is \$1.2 million there could be additional reconstruction work completed in the intersections. Workman stated that the initial plans just called for the new pipes to be extended into the intersections, but not for the complete reconstruction of the surface. Workman stated that he will discuss the additional work with the contractor and determine a cost estimate. Additional discussion ensued. Kennedy/Sollars made a MOTION to recommend the Village Board award the Pottawatomi project to Wanasek. MOTION carried without a negative vote.

# **Confirm Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting was not confirmed.

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# **Adjournment**

Adreani/Kennedy made a MOTION to adjourn at 09:20. MOTION carried without a negative vote.

Minutes prepared by DPW Workman